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AMENDMENT

SIR:

PETITION

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of January 18, 2007. A check in the amount of \$1,810 is enclosed. \$790 is in payment of the fee for a Request for Continued Examination, and \$1,020 is in payment of the government fee for a three-month extension of time so that the period for response is extended to July 18, 2007. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 18, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.